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SKETCH OF NEW DEANS

ACCOUNTS OF THEIR WORK

Political Sciences—Medical and Dental Colleges

Political Sciences

Dr. McBain was educated at Richmond College, taking both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees there. After this time for two years he was assistant principal of the Richmond High School. Later he spent two years taking graduate work, at the University of Chicago in 1904, and at Columbia University in 1905, receiving the degree of Master of Arts at the latter institution. Columbia also conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science. For two years more he specialized in the study of constitutional law at the same university, and for one year was a honorary fellow in that subject. In the fall of 1907 he came to George Washington University to teach in the School of Political Science.

Dean McBain is the author of a number of publications, chief among these being "DeWitt Clinton and the Origin of the Spoils System," published in New York in 1907. In 1908 and 1909 he published three books on civil government for use in the public schools of Virginia, Alabama, and Tennessee, respectively: "How We Are Governed in Virginia and the Nation," "How We Are Governed in Alabama and the Nation," and "How We Are Governed in Tennessee and the Nation."

He has made two trips abroad, the first in 1902, and the second in 1904.

Medical College

Professor W. C. Borden, the new dean of the Medical Department, received his education at the Adams Collegiate Institute of New York and later at the Medical Department of Columbian University, from which he graduated in 1883. At the time of the Spanish-American war he was a major and brigade surgeon of the United States Volunteers, and in 1901 he was made a major and surgeon in the U.S. Army. During the Spanish-American war he was commander of the General Hospital at Key West, Florida.

As a teacher, Dean Borden has held positions in several Washington Medical schools.

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WIN BY CLOSE SCORE

MARYLANDERS NOT EASY

Final Score 8 to 5—Story of the Game

Geo. Wash.	Positions	Wash. College
Johnson	L.E.	Couch
Hart	L.T.	Gibson
Fowler	L.G.	Jones
Bickhoff	Center	Gilmour
Bullough	R.G.	Porter
Alston (capt.)	R.T.	Maddox
Brookes	R.E.	Jump
Morse	O.B.	Meegan
White, Porter	L.H.	Noonan
Ellis	R.B.	Turner (capt.)
Hooten	F.B.	Johnson

Touchdowns—Morse and Turner. Goal from field—Morse. Referee—Mr. Jack Gass, Lehigh. Umpire—Mr. Dave Houston, Dickinson. Head linesman—Mr. McMorris. Timers—Mr. Baker, G. W. U., and Prof. Clark, Washington College. Linesmen—Mr. McCarthy, Technical High School, and Mr. Greenell, Washington College. Time of halves—20 minutes each.

Mike Thompson's charges from Washington College, Md., made thing look decidedly serious for two 20-minute halves at American League Park last Saturday, and when the final whistle blew the general opinion was that we were just about as lucky to trim the plucky little Maryland aggregation as was Georgetown a week ago. The visitors showed that they had been favored with considerable instruction in the open game, and all in all they made George Washington look decidedly inferior as far as team play was concerned. The reason they lost seemed to be that they didn't have quite enough weight, and then the luck of the game broke against them.

We have commented elsewhere upon the form shown by our own hopes and nothing more need be said here. Hart, Alston and Morse made a creditable showing and the rest of the squad put up the same kind of a game that they have shown in the previous contests—promising, but very crude.

George Washington received the kick on the west end of the field at 4:10, and White brought the ball back about 10 yards. Two line plunges netted little, and the locals punted on the third down to Meegan, who, receiving on his 35-yard line, brought the ball to the center of the field before somebody got in his way. The visitors then pulled off a couple of forward passes, one around the left for 15 yards, followed by the same thing around the other end for 20 yards. Both plays were the same thing that the team has been instructed to bust, but they seemed completely at sea until one of the visitors had grabbed the pass, then they woke up and tackled him. A couple of line plays gave the visi-

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THE ATHLETIC COUNCIL

CONFIDENCE IN COACH

New Members Elected—General Business Transacted

The Athletic Council of the University held an important meeting early last week in the office of Chairman McBain, Dean of Political Sciences.

Some dissatisfaction had appeared with Coach Dougherty after the poor game with Western Maryland the week previous, and the matter came up for general discussion. Coach Dougherty was a member of last year's crack eleven and was selected as coach for this season because of his large experience in football matters.

After a thorough discussion the Council decided that there was no basis in the dissatisfaction that was claimed to exist and that Coach Dougherty was and should be entitled to their unqualified support. In the first place, no opinion could be formed so early in the season. The game with Western Maryland was only the second of the schedule—practically the beginning, and was necessarily a means of experiment. In the development of the team it was only the foundation of a structure which would not be firmly molded together for a month and a half.

Added to this, the fact that the back field had been out only a few days and knew little of the signals or team play, caused the Council to pass a strong vote of confidence in the present coach.

During the course of the meeting a petition signed by 20 members of the team was read requesting that Mr. Dougherty be retained as coach.

The Council authorized the chairman, captain and coach to act as a committee in selecting an assistant coach if thought necessary.

Messrs. J. Brookes and R. Sensner were elected as alumni members of the Council to succeed Messrs. H. P. Blair and H. T. Bright, resigned. Mr. Brookes is at present playing end on the Varsity. He graduated from Columbian College in 1907 and at present is in the Law School. During his college career he has been particularly active in athletics, having made the Varsity football team two years as end, baseball team as pitcher, and acting as manager of the track team, 1907.

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FRESHMEN WELCOMED

GIVEN ENJOYABLE EVENING

Put up the Gamest Fight in Recent Years

The Freshman class, as usual, met with defeat. But it must be admitted that, though they outnumbered the Sophs, they put up the gamest fight that has been seen at George Washington in recent years. Their lengthy class meeting one night last week, which held session for an hour or more, was planned to make the courage of the upper classmen disappear, but it had the opposite of the desired effect. From a nucleus of half a dozen the numbers of the attacking party grew until they were nearly as great as those of the besieged, and as their force increased their spirits went up to the highest pitch. At 7:30 the Freshmen made a sortie at a 2.40 rate, and succeeded in reaching the street in safety. They had no sooner started down 15th street than half the bunch were captured. The cops again came to the rescue, however, and released most of these. Of course, the Fresh thought that they were victorious and immediately started off for F street and the avenue. Fourteenth street in its turn became the scene of some more bloody battles, the Sophs, with half a dozen scalps, coming out victorious. Down the avenue went pursuers and pursued, the latter being rushed at every other rod and losing several of their number at each onset. Thus ends the first book of the troubles of the verdant.

But at this point the Sophomores were just beginning to have their fun. The upper classmen at the Architectural building were kind enough to loan their feminine-appearing aprons, and the captured presented a decidedly pleasing appearance after a liberal application of black, red and green paint. The ring-leaders of the Freshmen, with an army of followers, all securely tied and with their pants turned up above their knees shocked and frightened the modest natives of Pennsylvania avenue, as they started off to give a performance at the elegant theaters to be found in that part of the world. Songs, dances, and yells, served to enliven the march, and, as we hope, to bring out "school spirit" in the hearts of the freshies. The climax

of the whole affair came with the theatrical performance of the green gentlemen. All the spectators said it was great, that their talent was superfine, and advised their organizing a company. The great trouble was its short duration. The Soph manager of this embryo company was unfortunate enough to have an altercation with a policeman, which resulted in his disappearing in the direction of the station house. Seven other of the chivalrous second-year men made an assault on the office of the judge and to their surprise gained easy admission, but were astonished to find that it was not so easy to get out. The judge took it all as a joke, however, and in the end let them off at only a nominal price for his trouble.

Calcium Club

A meeting of the Calcium Club will be called at 6.30 Friday, October 22, in the Y.M.C.A. Room, formerly the Union Room. It is desired that only the old members report. This meeting is called at the request of several members in order to organize for the year, discuss plans for the annual show, and begin work as soon as possible. It seems reasonable that after the experience gained in the past two years and considering the number of old men back, that a first class musical comedy can be produced. The main thing is the organization of the company or club, and this must be put on a strictly business basis in all its departments. In order to do this it seems essential to start early and to select or appoint the various officers and managers who will have only their separate duties to be responsible for. That is, the Business Manager will attend only to the business end, the Stage Manager to all that pertains to the show itself.

We want a local college show in every respect, and at a future date a call will be issued for sketches, songs and lyrics, as well as new men with experience and talent.

It has been suggested that a play dealing with local college life should be put on, and this seems an excellent scheme for many reasons.

All members will facilitate matters by attending the first meeting and getting in at the start.

Strike of College Students

Two hundred members of the Junior and Sophomore classes of the University of Maine refused to attend classes yesterday because of the suspension of nine members of the Sophomore class for hazing. The striking students held parades and made demonstration in the afternoon and at night, but did no damage.

Students' Hour

The President has decided to devote the hour from 4 to 5 every Thursday to the students. He will be glad to see any student at that hour upon personal or general matters.

FOOTBALL REVIEW

The poor showing of the football team up to date has been a source of disappointment to the University. We have the material on the squad for a team that will be a credit to the institution, and a student body that showed their willingness to support the team on the field. The management has worked hard and the University authorities have provided an excellent ground for the squad to work upon. With things in that condition, even if we are somewhat hampered by the fact that conditions at George Washington as regards the opportunity to practice, etc., are not ideal, it would seem that the prospects could be considered bright at least. However, nothing that the team has accomplished or little that they have showed promise of accomplishing has given any but the most optimistic cause for pleasant anticipation.

In three games against one joke outfit, a minor college, and a fairly fast bunch of youngsters, the team has shown nothing whatever in the way of offensive play. In the last two games we have one touchdown and a field goal to our credit.

Without attempting to place the blame upon any one individual it is useless for the team to go on with its schedule unless they can at least learn the elementary principles of straight football. Absolutely nothing in the way of any interference has been given the man with the ball, and there has been a lack of any spirit of help upon the part of the rest of the team when anyone has been given the leather. The men have been slow in getting away and have been running high, and with this state of affairs and with no interference it is not surprising that even that humorous bunch from Easton College were able to stop them.

With V.P.I. showing Big Six class, and with Carlisle a victor over Syracuse Saturday, there has got to be a brace, and a quick one, or the team will be a woeful aggregation to stack up as representatives of the University. The one ray of hope seems to be in the fact that there is no denying the fact that we have material, and good material at that, with which to whip a machine into shape. Possibly the development that everyone is looking for is due and on its way. But with such a woeful exhibition of football as the squad put up in an offensive style of play last Saturday there must be some tall hustling before the bright outlook of the beginning of the season is justified.

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Class Organizes

The Freshman Class of the Department of Arts and Sciences met last Monday in Room 26, and completed the work of organization begun the week before. The committee chosen at the meeting of Monday, October 11, to formulate a constitution, consisting of H. W. Hodgkins, Chairman; Miss Ellen C. Garlock, Miss Virginia Mayfield, M. G. Slarrow, and Mr. Cook, submitted a draft of a constitution. After some amendments, this was accepted as the constitution of the Freshman Class. The following officers were elected:

President—Robert T. Frazier, Jr.
Vice President—Miss Ellen C. Garlock.
Secretary—Ralph Hospital.
Treasurer—Clarence A. Bundick.
Assistant Treasurer—Miss Dorothy B. Munroe.
Sergeant-at-Arms—Howard W. Hodgkins.

The class dance will be under the direction of a committee consisting of R. T. Frazier, Miss Ellen Garlock, Miss Dorothy Munroe, Miss Virginia Mayfield, Ralph Hospital, and C. A. Bundick. The class will be represented on the "Cherry Tree" by H. W. Hodgkins, and on *The Hatchet* by G. W. Hodgkins.

Freshman Veterinary

The members of the Freshman Class who are pursuing the veterinary course, met in the Lecture Hall of the College of Veterinary Medicine Tuesday evening and chose the following members to represent the class:

President—J. E. Morcock.
Vice President—J. J. Carrol.
Secretary—J. E. Hodge.
Treasurer—W. B. Earl.
Editor—C. L. Holt.

It is the purpose of the Freshman Class to promote harmony

and good-fellowship among its members and those of other student organizations, to enter into the work which is before it with zeal and confidence, and lend its hearty support to the University in every possible manner.

Seniors Elect Officers

The Senior Class of the Medical College held its annual election of class officers during the week, with the following results:

President—Mr. Hoover.
Vice President—Mr. Elliott.
Secretary—Mr. Price.
Treasurer—Mr. Klingemann.
Editor for Cherry Tree—Mr. Hornaday.
Editor for *The Hatchet*—Mr. G. P. Davis.

The Senior Class feels strongly its duty to the school and the University, and is inaugurating the year with a spirit which is bound to lead it forward in the race which graduation brings upon us all.

Graduate Wins Bennett Cup

It is a source of pride to every student of George Washington that the victor of the recent balloon race for the Gordon Bennett cup was Mr. Edgar W. Mix, a graduate of this institution. Mr. Mix landed in Russian Poland after a flight which the committee, sitting at Zurich, Switzerland, announced exceeded those of all other competitors.

Important Debate at Hand

The Debating Council, consisting of two professors and a member from each debating society of the University, held a meeting Tuesday evening, the result of which will be announced in the next issue of *The Hatchet*. It is rumored that a proposition from a Western University has been received and that the Council will act upon it at this meeting.

WIN BY CLOSE SCORE

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tors half way to a first down when they lined up for a place kick and then proceeded to pull off the old Bucknell play of a forward pass from a bluff place kick, and to everybody's surprise they got away with it for a touchdown. They missed an easy goal. Score: Washington College, 5; G.W.U., 0.

The next score belonged to us, and was pretty fluky. Hart kicked off to Noonan, who fumbled on his 35-yard line, and Alston fell on the ball. Morse then beat it around the end on a fake line smash for a touchdown. Ellis missed an easy goal. Score, 5 all.

The only other score of the game came in the latter part of the second half when George Washington secured the ball on the visitors' 40-yard line after an exchange of punts. It was then that Morse pulled off an end run that netted about 15, and then dropped back and booted one over for the 3 points necessary to put the game on the right side of the ledger. The game ended with the leather on the visitors' 25-yard line and another touchdown imminent.

Notes of the Game

This was one of the snappiest and most spectacular contests seen on a local gridiron in several years.

"Bryan Morse for G.W.U. was the whole show, his running back of punts through a broken field and accurate drop kick for a goal stamped him as one of the best quarterbacks that has ever represented a District College," is the

opinion handed out by football critics.

The back field, with the exception of Ellis, will need considerable coaching if any kind of a showing is expected in the big games next month.

In running back kicks Bryan Morse excels "Curley" Byrd, but he lacks Byrd's aggressiveness in directing live plays.

Every time Hart and Alston were called upon to carry the ball they made good.

In the first half, Morse having sent his backs crashing into W. C.'s left wing, skirted right end for a touchdown, which completely fooled W.C.

The management has announced its willingness to change the date of the V.P.I. contest to Friday in order to avoid the conflict with the Georgetown-Virginia game in accordance with the suggestion in these columns previously made. The management undoubtedly considered it for the best interests of the team from a standpoint of playing success to schedule the game on Saturday, but from an attendance point of view it would undoubtedly prove a mistake. If the consent of the V.P.I. eleven can be secured the game will undoubtedly take place on Friday and will give the supporters of both elevens a chance to see two good contests and incidentally a line on the relative strength of the two local elevens.

Prospects for a winning track team at the University of Pennsylvania are brighter than last year, although some difficulty is being experienced by the coaches and management in getting out Freshman candidates for the team.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1909.

We take pleasure in announcing the appointment of Warren Jefferson Davis as fraternity editor of *The Hatchet*. All fraternities are requested to report to him notice and accounts of affairs, smokers, etc., in fact any matter of general interest. We shall endeavor to run a fraternity column, but we can only do so if the fraternities will supply the material. About the first of December we shall publish the list of members pledged or initiated this fall.

A University Assembly

The feeling has been prevalent for some time that some effort should be made to bring the students of the various departments together in the nature of an assembly. Should such an idea be carried out, we believe it would be the greatest advance in our history toward a development of all that is implied in the words "college spirit."

The peculiar situation and circumstances of our University are known and understood by all. The large number of students employ-

ed in governmental and business vocations, and the consequent complicated system of hours made necessary, have proved to a certain extent insurmountable obstacles to a general co-operation and cohesion among the students of the University.

As a direct result, students become isolated in their various departments. A man in Engineering barely realizes that a Law School exists. A medical student with difficulty follows even the course of University events. To reach the entire body of George Washington students for such interests as athletics, musical organizations, college publications, it becomes necessary to canvass each department separately, as if each in itself comprised the University.

The various consequences of such a state of affairs are too evident to enumerate. Lack of co-operation in the interests we have specified means absolute failure unless some man of tremendous energy and ability happens to be at the helm. And back of this, the deep underlying cause is lack of desire to co-operate, which is due to the disheartening truth that there exists no means to create this desire and foster its development.

Under the tremendous disadvantages which overshadow our labor, we cannot hope for such a universal love and devotion as is embodied in the terms "Yale spirit," "Princeton spirit," etc. But we believe that a wonderful advance over that which now exists can be brought about by means of that sovereign remedy—regular student meetings.

For the causes we have stated, it is impossible to hope for any results on the initiative of the students themselves. If a thorough and fair trial to student meetings is to be given, it must come from the faculty in the form of compulsory attendance.

Our plan, in brief, is for the faculty to set aside a certain time, preferably from 4.50 to 5.20, on a day when practically all the students have classes at the University—for example, Wednesday—at which time every student in the University will be required to be

present at a students' meeting where only student interests shall be discussed. During the football season, and probably upon one or two other occasions, two meetings a month would be necessary. Otherwise, once a month would be the regular program.

This plan is only tentative, and is offered merely in the line of a suggestion. To such a meeting it is probable that a few, such as Senior Medical and some of the Pharmacy members could not arrange to be present. But we think that over 90 per cent of the students of the University would find no conflicting date, other than scheduled classes. That it would be worth the sacrifice of one or possibly two classes a month, provided the plan proved successful, there can be no question. Space does not allow us to set forth the evident advantages. Suffice it to say a strong body of loyal students, working with one purpose, would gain for themselves that something that college life alone imparts, and would gain for the University not only the successes they are bound to secure, but their support as true alumni.

The objection always urged against such a method is that there is no means of compelling attendance; and that a large number of students would take that hour as an act of Providence in the shape of a holiday. But if absence from the assembly entailed a mark of zero for that day's work in the course in which the student is enrolled, we believe he would think before he cut.

Such measures, however, we are confident would be unnecessary. The latent spirit which we know lies dormant in the vast majority of George Washington students would leap at the opportunity to make our college a true college in every sense of the word.

SKETCH OF NEW DEANS

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He is a fellow of the Royal Microscopical Society of London and an honorary member of the Medical and Surgical Society of Washington.

The Dean's chief publication is "The Use of the Roentgen Ray by the Medical Department of the United States in the War With

Spain, 1898." This was published by a joint resolution of Congress in 1900. Besides this he has written various medical monographs and articles.

Dean Borden, in the October 6th issue of *The Hatchet*, presented his policy for the Medical College.

Dental College

Dr. Walton received his dental training in the Baltimore Medical College, and graduated from that institution in 1889. He taught in the National University and was dean of that school at the time it was merged with the Columbian University. Since that time he has been the professor of orthodontia and has taught the crown and bridge work.

Dean Walton's intention is to make the school conform with the regulations of the Association of Dental Practice. He desires to give the school a reputable standing before the State Dental Corps, and to do this it is necessary to uphold the admission standard, which necessitates that all entrants to dental schools must have been through three years of high school work. It is the intention of the dental faculty to reinforce their teaching qualities in every aspect.

The registration this year passes beyond all expectation, and a solid foundation is being laid for a strong dental school.

THE ATHLETIC COUNCIL

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Mr. Sensner took a degree in the College of Engineering several years ago.

As a reward for the excellent work of the Rifle Team last summer, an account of which appeared in *The Hatchet* of October 6, the following members were awarded the athletic "W": Messrs. J. R. Fehr (Captain), W. B. Cash, A. R. Calder, C. H. Buttman, H. E. Skinner and E. F. Wenderoth.

The question of a track manager was again postponed until a future meeting of the Council. Basketball likewise will come up at some future time.

The Council adjourned at 10 o'clock. Those present were: Prof. McBain, Prof. Earnest, Dr. G. N. Acker, Dr. W. F. R. Phillips, Dr. E. C. Wilson, and Messrs. H. C. Davis, Brookes, Sommers, Alston, Newhouser, Fehr and Baer.

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Q Now this answer was, in a measure, correct. The student gave a perfectly feasible method of measuring the Monument. And yet he failed in the examination. The professor wanted more scientific information.

Q You and I would never give such an answer. We would prepare ourselves before the examination. At least you would, wouldn't you? In this day of scientific knowledge and methods, you wouldn't think of measuring the Washington Monument with a string, *on an examination*.

Q But how about real life? What about the problems of business? Do you expect to measure them with a string?

Q Fifty per cent of the college graduates who enter commercial pursuits attempt to perform their duties by the string method. They haven't prepared themselves. They don't know the scientific principles of their business. And like the young man in the examination, they fail.

Q The time has gone by when any hit or miss style will do in business. Commercial activity today is just as much a science as any other. Its principles are well defined. And the man who would be successful must be acquainted with these principles.

Q The business man has no time to bother with an ignoramus. He demands that you know. You must be familiar with the proper way to make his business successful, or he doesn't want you. In an up-to-date office the untrained man is not even qualified to hold a position as office boy.

Q This matter of training is one that should be decided by every college man and woman. If you will ever have to earn your own bread and butter you will need the tools with which to earn it, and those tools cannot be acquired in a day. Unless you have an independent income, you will find need for a business education.

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Fall Convocation

The Fall Convocation of the George Washington University took place Wednesday, October 20, in University Hall. A full account of this event, which took place too late for this issue of The Hatchet, will be published next week.

The principal address was delivered by Dean W. R. Vance of the Law School on "Legal Education in the District of Columbia."

We shall be glad to publish communications from students. No attention, however, will be paid to unsigned articles.

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We can stand a team that meets us,
We admire him who defeats us,
But we'd like to use a lariat on the team that runs away;
If they'd buck they'd find us steady,
But we're somehow never ready
When they skip around the tackle on some dinky little play.
We should batter them to pieces,
We should lay that team in creases,
Send them flying to the sidelines for their wreckage to repair;
But they contrive it every time
To wiggle just across their line—
Then they rise up smiling sweetly, the perhaps the worse for wear.
"Seven, eighteen, ten—"
Forward pass is pulled off neatly, and—they've gone away again.
They're as slippery as they make 'em,
You can dodge, but never shake 'em,
And they're always handing to you what you'd like to hand to them.

They'd intended to defeat us
So they started out to beat us,
And they came so close upon it that they nearly caused our death;
And they'd made the score five nothing
While we thought they still were bluffing
For they made a touchdown over us before we'd caught our breath.
At that we dropped our careless role
And chased them flying to their goal,
Then we made that score more even, to preserve our self-respect.
But even then they wouldn't yield
Until we kicked a goal from field,
And they fought us just as gamely, tho' they couldn't quite connect.
"Twelve, nineteen, four—"
Tho' we knocked their heads together, yet they're back again for more.
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How About It, Sophs?

Editor **The Hatchet**:

Anticipating that there might creep into your excellent periodical some calumnious remarks from a Sophomore source concerning the events of Monday evening, October 11, A.D. 1909, merely because no contrary information was received by you, I am here taking the opportunity to secure the proper appreciation and understanding of those events in time to come, confident that you will readily discern that the following is a true and unbiased account, and the only version worthy of publication.

It is, as you know, a time-honored custom that the first meeting of the Freshmen Class shall be the occasion for what is known as "hazing" by the Sophomores, when the Freshmen are expected to allow the Sophs to show off their accumulated foolishness, much though they would prefer to keep it dark for the honor of the institution.

When we left the building and fell into the hands of the waiting Sophs in conventional fashion, the incapacity of our opponents was still further demonstrated. Among other things, they attempted to display their artistic ability, with heartrending results. Indeed, we are inclined to the horrible conclusion that much of their art instruction has been received from such questionable sources as the Sunday comic supplements.

Following this the Sophomores proceeded on a tour of the streets to display their mistaken prowess to the world at large. At odd moments they entertained the Freshmen by college yells and songs, with occasional renditions of a pathetic little ballad known as "How Green We Are." The truth of this last assertion we did not for a moment question, but we were somewhat at loss to determine why they admitted it.

This had continued for some little time when the Freshmen about

came to the conclusion that tradition had been satisfied and the pitiable scene need no longer continue, but some members of the local police force kindly relieved us of the painful duty before us. The occasion for this intrusion may have been some such humanitarian motives as we ourselves entertained, but probably the guardians of the law felt that the public welfare might be endangered if mental defectives, suffering particularly from the dread derangement of Freshmanophobia unhappily so common in our American colleges, should be allowed to remain further at large and in circumstances obviously so dangerous to their mental equilibria. To be sure insanity was not the charge preferred against the errant Sophomores, but, as students of abnormal psychology know, it is accounted dangerous to accuse mental defectives of their actual deformity.

Hoping that the above will serve to set past, present, and future generations right on this important matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

1913.

Don't carry a joke too far; you may have to carry it back.

An Englishman, fond of boasting of his ancestry, took a coin from his pocket, and, pointing to the head engraved on it, said: "My great-great-grandfather was made a lord by the king whose picture you see on this shilling."

"What a coincidence!" said his Yankee companion, who at once produced another coin. "My great-great-grandfather was made an angel by the Indian whose picture you see on this cent."

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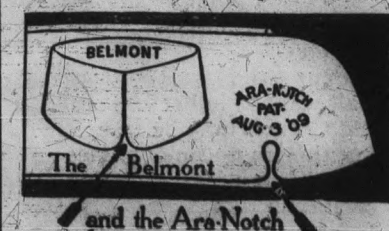
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Messrs. Sullivan and O'Neal addressed the society, having for their subject the question for debate for the evening.

Mr. John T. Kennedy, the instructor in Argumentation and Debate, gave a brief talk along the line of the course which he has prepared for the society, which was accepted with the greatest enthusiasm by the members present. After adjournment a number of new members joined the society.

The question for debate next Friday night is, "Resolved, That direct primary elections are preferable to convention for the nomination of candidates for state and local offices." The speakers selected are: F. E. Edgerton and Warwick O'Neal, affirmative; P. E. Bradley and John G. Lerch, negative.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NOTES

A "publicity bureau" has been inaugurated at Brown University with the aim of sending Brown news by means of letters and telegrams to the various city and county newspapers and preparatory school publications.

An English teacher in a western college protests against being addressed as professor on the ground that in these days of many professions even the barber is called by that title.

The Dartmouth Freshmen won the fall baseball series from the Sophomores.

At Ohio Wesleyan the Sophs

succeeded in enforcing their rules by a liberal use of the water-cure, but the Freshmen triumphed in the annual Freshman-Sophomore rush, which, this year, was something of the nature of a football game. A ball was placed in the middle of the field, the respective classes lining up under the goal posts. When the whistle was blown, each side made a dash for the ball. The Freshmen reached it first, and kicked it over the heads of the Sophomores, and by two more short rushes placed the ball behind the Sophomores' goal. In the evening the Freshmen celebrated their victory by parades and a snake dance, which the very much chagrined Sophomores endeavored to break up.

The students of Beloit College have adopted an "honor constitution" for the purpose of maintaining "a system of self-government in said college, in so far as the conduct of the students within the class-room is concerned."

The following parody from the "Daily Pennsylvanian" shows that Pennsy keeps right up to date on college songs and the new music:

Penn-syl-va-an-I-ay-I-ay,
Oh! Penn-syl-va-an-I-ay;
I don't care what becomes of me
When the game is a sweet victory.
Oh! Penn-syl-va-an-I-ay-I-ay.
We all want to holler Hoo-ray!
Old Cornell may be fast,
But they're not in our class.
Penn-syl-va-an-I-ay.



The College of Engineering of the University of Illinois reports an increase of 8 per cent in registration this year, the number enrolled on October 1, 1909, being 1,275.

Cornell has elected nine cheer leaders and is making every effort to lead the college world in cheering.

Rushing is about ended at the University of Illinois. The fraternities report that while the material this year was not as plentiful as last, and therefore the harvest is smaller than last year; yet the quantity is made up by quality.

The University of Pennsylvania reports an enrollment on October 7, 1909, of 4,582 students, an increase of 241 over last year.

The classes of the Wharton School of Finance of the University of Pennsylvania have been requested to adopt resolutions for the enforcement of the honor system.

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